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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) An IC-tagged bearing device, which includes comprising:

a sealing member including comprising:

a core metal; provided with

an elastic element that is made of rubber or resin <u>disposed on the core metal; and</u> an IC tag embedded in the elastic element,

which wherein the sealing member seals a bearing space, delimited between raceway members,

in-which an wherein the IC tag is capable of performing communication on a non-contact basis, is held as embedded in the elastic element

wherein the IC tag is a cylinder, and arranged such that a longitudinal axis of the cylinder is outside the raceway members.

- 2. (Original) The IC-tagged bearing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastic element is made of the rubber and the IC tag is fixedly bonded by vulcanization to the elastic element.
- (Original) The IC-tagged bearing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the core metal is
  provided with an IC tag positioning hole and a portion of the IC tag is engaged in this IC tag
  positioning hole.

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4. (Original) The IC-tagged bearing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the elastic element is provided with an IC tag fitting groove and the IC tag is fitted in the form as engaged in this IC tag fitting groove.

5. (Currently Amended) An IC-tagged sealing member for sealing a bearing space delimited between raceway members in a bearing device as defined in claim 1, which member includes comprising:

a core metal provided with

an elastic element that is made of rubber or resin disposed on the core metal; and

an IC tag <u>embedded in the elastic element</u>, capable of performing communication on a noncontact basis <del>held as embedded in the elastic element</del>

wherein the IC tag is a cylinder, and arranged such that a longitudinal axis of the cylinder is outside the raceway members.

- 6. (Original) The IC-tagged sealing member as claimed in claim 5, wherein the elastic element is made of the rubber and the IC tag is fixedly bonded by vulcanization to the elastic element.
- 7. (Original) The IC-tagged sealing member in claim 5, wherein the elastic element is provided with an IC tag fitting groove and the IC tag is fitted in the form as engaged in this IC tag fitting groove.

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